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In Re:	Patent Application of Carlo M. Croce et al.	:	Group Art Unit: 1636
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Appln. No.	09/513,888	:	Examiner: Gerald Leffers, Jr.
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For:	COMPOSITIONS, KITS AND METHODS RELATING TO THE HUMAN FEZ1 GENE, A NOVEL TUMOR SUPPRESSOR GENE	:	Attorney Docket No. 9855-3014

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER (37 C.F.R. § 1.136(A))**

Applicants in the above-identified application hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to and including February 26, 2004 for responding to the Office Action mailed August 26, 2003. A response to the Office Action accompanies this Petition.

- A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_.00 is enclosed herewith.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1017 (**Billing No. 209855.0081**) as noted below. A duplicate copy is enclosed.
- Extension fee in the amount of \$475.00
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Respectfully submitted,

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